

CHAPTER 13.

[H. B. 49.]

CONTROL OF INSECT PESTS AND PLANT DISEASES.

AN ACT to prevent the introduction of insect pests and plant diseases and to control and/or eradicate insect pests and plant diseases in the State of Washington which are necessary in the war production program of agricultural and horticultural crops, and making an appropriation and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington, and the Supervisor of Horticulture of the Department of Agriculture of the State of Washington, are authorized and directed to apply such quarantine and/or eradication and such methods as may be necessary to prevent the introduction of insect pests or plant diseases that may be destructive to agricultural or horticultural industries of the State of Washington, and to apply such methods as may be necessary for quarantine, and/or eradication, and/or control of insect pests or plant diseases, that are now established in the State of Washington, especially the Pear Psylla, the Pea Moth, the Sitona weevil and virus diseases of fruits, or other insect pests or plant diseases that may seriously endanger agricultural or horticultural industries in the State of Washington.

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SEC. 2. The Director of Agriculture and the Supervisor of Horticulture are authorized to cooperate with any group of citizens, municipalities and counties of the State of Washington, the State College of Washington, the Washington Agricultural Experiment Station, Western Washington Experiment Station, and/or with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, and such agencies as he

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may designate, to carry out the provisions of this act.

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SEC. 3. The Director of Agriculture, acting by and through the Supervisor of Horticulture of the State of Washington, may, in his discretion, provide funds, labor, materials and supplies for the purposes specified in sections 1 and 2.

Appropriation.

SEC. 4. There is hereby appropriated the sum of two hundred fifty thousand (\$250,000) dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary from the general fund of the State Treasury for the Department of Agriculture to be used by the Division of Horticulture, State Department of Agriculture, for the purposes specified in this act.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 5. This act is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of this state, the support of the state government of the State of Washington and its existing institutions and the promotion of the war effort, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House January 28, 1943.

Passed the Senate February 10, 1943.

Approved by the Governor February 15, 1943.